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From: Vranka, Joe [vranka.joe@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/17/2016 8:38:59 PM
To: Hestmark, Martin [Hestmark.Martin@epa.gov]
CC: Mitre, Alfreda [Mitre.Alfreda@epa.gov]; Murray, Bill [Murray.Bill@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Smurfit Response Letter
Attachments: 11.5.15SmurfitBriefing.docx; 2 17 16MeetingPrepQsandAssparks.docx

Hi, Martin:

We talked about this yesterday afternoon in our briefing/update meeting. This site is similar to the Anaconda Aluminum site in Columbia Falls where we have PRPs that do not want the site to go final on the NPL, and a community and the state that support listing (Missoula County strongly supports listing for this site). The message, too, is similar to the Anaconda Aluminum site:

“EPA is evaluating the site, recent data, and comments received during the public comment period on the proposed listing. EPA will make a decision on the listing when the evaluation is complete. At this time, the potentially responsible parties have entered into an Administrative Order on Consent with EPA to perform the Remedial Investigation. The first phase of data collection was completed in December 2015, and we expect to see the data in March or April of this year. We are working with the potentially responsible parties to plan the next phase of the investigation.”

Amelia and Sara are working on messages for the meeting (see attached draft Q&A document).

The site was proposed for inclusion on the National Priorities List in May 2013. EPA (Headquarters) held two public comment periods during the next year on the proposed listing and evaluated comments received. Headquarters directed Region 8 to collect additional data – either through expanded site inspection or remedial investigation – before it would proceed with finalizing the listing. Over the course of the following year, EPA negotiated with the property owner (M2Green) and other potentially responsible parties for an Administrative Order on Consent to conduct the Remedial Investigation. The AOC was finally signed in November 2015. Sara worked with Rob (site assessment) to ensure that data collected in November and December for RI purposes also met the needs of the site assessment program. The data should be available in March or April 2016. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you require additional information.

Thank you,

Joe

From: Hestmark, Martin
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2016 12:17 PM
To: Vranka, Joe <vranka.joe@epa.gov>; Murray, Bill <Murray.Bill@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: Smurfit Response Letter

Don't we need to know how we will be answering the questions as to whether/when we will be proposing/finalizing to the NPL before we have this meeting?

From: Vranka, Joe
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2016 4:00 PM
To: Murray, Bill <Murray.Bill@epa.gov>
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Subject: FW: Smurfit Response Letter

Hi, Bill:

Attached is the draft response letter to Missoula County and CSKT for the Smurfit-Stone Mill. I am copying Martin and Alfreda for their information and review. Does this need to come from Shaun, or could it come from me, you, or Martin instead? I have also attached the original letter from Missoula County and CSKT to Shaun. The reason for the delayed response is that Sara worked with both Missoula County and with CSKT throughout the month of January to identify their needs and to get a meeting set up (scheduled for next Monday February 22, 2016) that works with the schedule for both entities.

Thank you,

Joe

From: Sparks, Sara

Sent: Monday, February 08, 2016 11:23 AM

To: Vranka, Joe <vranka.joe@epa.gov>; Piggott, Amelia <Piggott.Amelia@epa.gov>

Subject: Smurfit Response Letter

Thanks Amelia for the help in editing the letter. Joe: do you have any comments? Where does it go for Shaun's signature? Would like to get it out today or tomorrow. Sara

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